

MANY PERISH.

Disastrous Collision at Port Byron, N. Y.

THE VICTIMS MOSTLY ITALIANS.

The St. Louis Express Dashes Into a Disabled Freight Train With Dire Results—The Wreck Takes Fire and a Horror Follows.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Aug. 7.—The St. Louis express train, on the West Shore railroad, which leaves here at 1:08 a. m., met with a terrible accident three miles west of Port Byron, this morning, near what is known as the Dutchess cut.

The train was running at a high rate of speed, and at that point ran into a freight train.

The wreck was an awful one, and up to 9 o'clock the deaths numbered eleven.

Those killed outright and those who died from the results of their injuries were all Italians, with one exception—the fireman of the passenger train.

Eleven Italians were badly hurt and four will probably die.

Twelve cars of the freight train were wrecked and piled up on the tracks, completely blocking the road.

The Italians were in the smoking car, which is completely wrecked. Hardly a whole piece of timber was left of the car.

The wreck took fire and the passenger train was burned, except the three sleeping cars.

The train was made up of two express cars, a baggage car, a smoking car, a day car and three sleeping cars.

Fireman Michael Bergen, of Macedon, was instantly killed at his post on the locomotive, and Engineer Patrick Ryan, of East Buffalo, was badly hurt.

The flames, which started so slowly, increased in fury until the victims in the smoking car could only be removed from the burning cars through the flames. The forward end of the sleeper "Marathon" had also taken fire, and, in order to save the three sleepers behind it, which had not left the rails, they were uncoupled and pushed by hand to a place of safety. Ten freight cars and the caboose were also in flames.

The death list began to be appalling, as body after body was removed until ten were laid along the tracks in a row. The injured were twice as many, and their supplications for aid were heart-rending.

The freight train which caused the accident consisted of forty cars and was bound for the west. It was intended to let the "flyer" pass by drawing over on the Montezuma sidetrack. It had started to leave the main track and was half way upon the switch when a coupling broke in the middle of the train. Realizing that there was no time to lose, Conductor Thomas Tobin, of the freight train, sent Edward Connolly up the track with a lantern to check the "flyer," but whether he did not get far enough up the road or whether his signal was not seen is not known. A new coupling had been made and the freight was slowly starting. In a minute more it would have been out of the way and the disaster would not have occurred.

The freight train was in charge of Conductor Thomas Tobin and Engineer Thomas Whitcomb. The former was on top of the train and was thrown violently to the ground by the concussion. Beyond serious injuries caused by the conductor's fall, no one on the freight train was hurt.

It is possible that there are more bodies in the wreck, but up to noon none had been found.

National Democratic Convention. WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—A member of the national democratic committee is said to have recently discoursed as follows: "The committee will not meet until February 22, 1893. As to the place of holding the national convention, no conclusion will be reached until the committee meets in February. St. Louis wants it, as do Detroit and Chicago. I have heard also that Baltimore will ask for it, and perhaps Washington, too. If it is to be held east, why not at Baltimore? There is some talk, too, of a late convention and Saratoga. Has Washington a chance? Well, yes, if Baltimore does not get it."

Alleged Insane Convicts Escape. ALBANY, N. Y., Aug. 7.—At 6 o'clock this morning seventeen insane convicts in ward 6 of the insane asylum overpowered their keeper, secured his keys and escaped. They scattered in the western part of the city, where great excitement prevails. Five of the escaped convicts have been recaptured, and a large force of keepers are in pursuit of the others.

Kansas Town Soreheaded. WICHITA, Kan., Aug. 7.—At Wellington yesterday morning fire started in H. Davis' restaurant on South Washington avenue and quickly communicated to the adjoining buildings. The buildings occupied by Davis' restaurant, Roberts' barber shop, Glaman's cigar factory and Klein's varnish shop, with all their contents, were consumed.

A Middleweight Sport. LONDON, Aug. 7.—Ted Pritchard, the English champion middleweight, intends to start for the United States in a short time to endeavor to arrange a match with some fighter in that country.

COMMANDER'S ADDRESS.

Address of Commander-in-Chief Veazey to the Veterans—Separate Departments For the Colored Veterans in Louisiana and Mississippi Recommended—Washington Selected For the Next Meeting.

DETROIT, Mich., Aug. 5.—The twenty-fifth annual encampment of the G. A. R. began yesterday in the mammoth Bucher's hall. At the head of the hall, over the platform, was a large G. A. R. badge, flanked on either side by American flags, and in the rear the grand seal of the United States, also set between flags. From the ceiling hung clusters of the flags of all the republics in the world.

A few minutes before the hour of opening Gen. Veazey and his staff entered the hall and were escorted to the grand stand.

Rapping the assemblage to order, the commander-in-chief announced the formal opening of the encampment, and directed the adjutant-general to call the roll of departments. Every state and territory in the union, not even excepting far-off Alaska, was represented, and the roll call showed the fullest attendance of delegates in the history of the organization. The opening address of the commander-in-chief was listened to with rapt attention by the assembled veterans.

"Comrades," said Gen. Veazey, "this is the silver anniversary of a birth, not a wedding. The wedding occurred when the bridegrooms, the youth of the land, enlisted in its defense. Abraham Lincoln celebrated the marriage nuptials. Columbia was the bride. Her vesture was the nation's flag. The pledge to re-establish that flag over the domain of secession was the price of her hand. When the pledge was grandly redeemed, through bloody strife, through suffering and death, and after the victors had placed on the brow of the bride a new diadem whose gems were honor, valor, fame, liberty, untainted with slavery, a country reunited and free, the fruit of that marriage was the Grand Army of the Republic, an offspring worthy of its royal patronage. The date of the birth was April 6, 1861. The observance of this silver anniversary began on the 6th day of April of this year. In every town and city in all this broad country where posts existed the comrades assembled in open meetings, which the public attended in throngs beyond the capacity of the largest halls, and all at the same hour united in praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God for the great blessings which He had vouchsafed to our country and to the men who had fought its battles and had since labored faithfully on the lines of good citizenship and had cultivated the Christian and patriotic principles of fraternity, charity and loyalty."

After alluding to the recent deaths of Gen. Sherman, ex-Vice-President Hamlin and others prominent in the Grand Army, Gen. Veazey continued: "The present administration encountered the same disturbances in the department of Louisiana and Mississippi that had troubled my predecessors. The difficulties there had existed ever since posts 9 to 17 inclusive of that department were chartered and organized. This was in 1869. The charge has always been, from different sources, that the organization of those posts was so tainted with irregularities as to be utterly destructive of their legal existence. Our rules and regulations provide a plain procedure for a department to pursue in order to test the validity of such charges. As the department of Louisiana and Mississippi has never, so far as I am informed, resorted to that procedure, I have held, in connection with those posts, that they must be regarded as having a legal existence until otherwise regularly adjudicated."

"I have reason to believe that Comrades Burst and Austin made a most careful investigation of all matters in that department. Their recommendation is, in brief, that this encampment authorize the creation of a separate department in the south. This is supported by memorials addressed to the commander-in-chief by posts 9, 12, 13, 14, 16 and 17, being six of the posts in the department whose membership is composed of colored comrades. Protests against such action have come from comrades of several posts, and these are on file."

Gen. Veazey recommends that such separate department be created.

"During the year now closing," continued Gen. Veazey, "the G. A. R. paid out from its relief fund \$333,699.85. During the same period the Women's Relief corps paid to distressed comrades \$152,710.80. These figures show a large increase over the amount of any previous year. The total amount of relief paid out by the G. A. R., not including auxiliary bodies, since 1870, is \$2,500,000."

Referring to the Mount McGregor cottage, where Gen. Grant died, Gen. Veazey recommended that this encampment take action to secure from the government an appropriation for the maintenance of the property. The members of the G. A. R. pension committee were also reviewed. The commander-in-chief urged the encampment to renew the effort to procure an amendment to the revised statutes which give preference, in appointments to the civil office, "to persons discharged from the military or naval service by reason of disability resulting from wounds or sickness incurred in the line of duty," to the effect that honorable service shall count for something in appointments, when all other things are equal.

Washington City was selected as the place of the next encampment.

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